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TITLE OF THE INVENTION COMFORT OPTICS VISOR

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION FIELD OF THE INVENTION

DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART

THE ONLY RELATED ART IS PATENT NO. 5,920,371. SOME OF THE PIECES OF ART WORK ARE SIMILAR IN THAT BOTH INVENTIONS USE A VISOR TO HOLD THEM ON THE PERSON'S HEAD (THIS VISOR IS NOT THE SUBJECT OF EITHER PATENT AS THERE ARE MANY BRANDS OF VISORS AVAILABLEO AND NEITHER THAT INVENTOR OR I AM CLAIMING TO HAVE DEVELOPED THE VISOR. THE PART OF MY DEVICE THAT IS UNIQUE, AND THEREFORE PATENTABLE, IS THE ALIGNMENT DEVICE WHICH IS VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE ALIGNMENT DEVICE SHOWN IN PATENT NO. 5,920,371. MY DEVICE IS DESIGNED TO ALLOW THE PATIENT TO ADJUST THE ALIGNMENT HIM OR HERSELF. WITH NO HELP FROM A CARETAKER OR DOCTOR. THE ALIGNMENT DEVICE SHOWN IN THE PRIOR ART COULD NOT BE ADJUSTED BY THE PATIENT. MY INVENTION FEATURES THE ELONGATED PORTS IN THE VISOR WHICH WORK WITH MY UNIQUE ALIGNMENT FIXTURE, A CLAMP, TO ALLOWTHE PATIENT TO ADJUST THE VISION SIMPLY BY APPYINGPRESSURE TO THE EXPANSION LOOP. THE PRIOR ART HAS A VERY DIFFERENT ALIGNMENT FIXTURE AND THIS IS THE KEY TO THE DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO INVENTIONS.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

WHEN PRESSURE IS APPLIED TO THE EXPANSION LOOP, THE HEADBAND EXPANDS. THE PRESSURE MAY BE APPLIED BY HAND, A SURGEON'S ARM, OR BY ANOTHER PERSON (A CARETAKER FOR A DIS ABLED PERSON, E.G.). WHEN THE PRESSURE IS RELEASED, THE HEADBAND CONTRACTS AND THE (2) BANDS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE HEAD ALIGN THE VISOR OPTICALLY THE SAME WAY EVERY TIME. NO FURTHER ADJUSTMENT NEED BE MADE FOR PERFECT OPTICAL ALIGNMENT.

MY APPLICATION FOR A PATENT CONCERNS THE EXPANSION LOOP, WHICH IS TOTALLY NEW. HEADBANDS AND VISORS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A LONG TIME. MANY BRANDS ALREADY EXIST AND MY INVENTION DOES NOT AFFECT THOSE ALREADY EXISTING PATENTS. I HAVE DEVELOPED A UNIQUE CONCEPT FOR AN EXPANSION LOOP THAT PROVIDES OPTICAL ALIGNMENT EVERY TIME PRESSURE ON IT IS REMOVED AND REPLACED.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBES THE DRAWINGS OF MY INVENTION FULLY:

FIGURE 1: THE TOP VIEW OF THE HEADBAND SHOWS AN EXPANSION LOOP (RIGHT ON TOP OF BAND). THE FASTENER THAT ALLOWS THE ADJUSTMENT AND SECURES THE HEADBAND TO THE EXPANSION LOOP. THIS PART IS ADJUSTABLE SO IT WILL FIT THE PATIENT'S REQUIREMENTS.

FIGURE 2: THE FRONT VIEW OF THE HEADBAND SHOWS FOUR ATTACHED BANDS THAT ACHIEVE PERFECT OPTICAL ALIGNMENT. (FASTENERS IN FRONT)

FIGURE 3: THE SIDE VIEW OF THE HEADBAND SHOWS A FASTENER THAT ALLOWS ADJUSTMENT AND SECURES THE VISOR TO THE HEADBAND, THE ATTACHED BANDS, AND THE EXPANSION LOOP.

FIGURE 4: THE FRONT VIEW OF THE VISOR SHOWS THE VISOR'S ELONGATED MOUNTING PORTS TO ACCOMMODATE EITHER FIXED, ADJUSTABLE MECHANICAL OR ELECTRONIC MONOCULARS. THE ELONGATED PARTS ALLOW FOR ADJUSTMENT TO THE PATIENT'S CENTER DISTANCE.

FIGUR 5: THE SIDE VIEW OF THE VISOR SHOWS AN ELONGATED BRACKET IN THE FRONT. THE BRACKET IS ELONGATED TO ALLOW FOR PROPER ADJUSTMENT ALLEVIATION OF ANY CANTILEVER EFFECT FROM HEAVY MONOCULARS. IT MAINTAINS STABILITY.

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FIGURE 6: THE FRONT VIEW OF THE ALIGNMENT ADJUSTER SHOWS A FIXTURE THAT IS TEMPORARILY ATTACHED TO THE VISOR. ALLOWING THE PATIENT TO INDEPENDANTLY ADJUST EACH MONOCULAR TO ACHIEVE THE MAXIMUM VISION THE PATIENT CAN OBTAIN. IT IS USED TO ROTATE THE MONOCULAR TO ACHIEVE SUPERIMPOSURE USING ROOF-TOP PRISMATIC MONOCULAR. WHEN ALIGNMENT IS ACHIEVED, THE FIXTURE IS REMOVED.

FIGURE7: THE FRONT VIEW OF THE ALIGNMENT CLAMP SHOWS A CLAMP THAT IS ATTACHED TO THE MONOCULAR. WHILE BEING HELD IN PLACE BY FIGURE 6, TO MAINTAIN ALIGNMENT. IF PATIENT'S CENTER VISION IS LOST, THE PERIPHERAL VISION CAN BE SUPERIMPOSED OVER THE PRIMARY VISION.

FIGURE 8: THE TOP VIEW OF THE BEVELED ADJUSTER SHOWS A BEVEL THAT CONVERTS A VIEW VISOR INTO A READING VISOR. THE SLINES MAINTAIN THE CORRECT ANGULARITY FOR READING.

FIGURE 9: THE SIDE VIEW OF THE BEVELED ADJUSTER.

THIS IS A UTILITY CLAIM. NOT A DESIGN CLAIM. EVERYTHING HEREIN HA BEEN REDUCED TO PRACTICE.

DETAILED DECRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR IS A NOVEL UNIOUE OPTICAL DEVICE. NEVER OFFERED BEFORE. ITS NOVEL AND UNIQUE FEATURES ARE AS FOLLOW

- THE PATIENT IS NOT STRAPPED WITH TUNNEL VISION. THEY HAVE THEIR NORMAL VISION AND GET ASSISTANCE BY ADDITIONAL POWER OPTICS. ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS TIP THEIR HEAD 15 DEGREES AND THEY HAVE THE BEST OPTICAL ASSISTANCE THEIR BODY POSSES.
- TO REMOVE AND REPLACE THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR AND ACHIEVE PERFECT VISION EVERY TIME. ALL THE PATIENT HAS TO DO IS APPLY PRESSURE TO THE EXPANSION LOOP ON THE HEADBAND. WHEN PRESSURE IS REMOVED, THE VISOR IS IN PERFECT ALIGNMENT. WHEN A SURGEON NEEDS ADDITIONAL OPTCAL ASSISTANCE, HE CAN ALIGN THE VIVOR WITH HIS ARM AND DOES NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT CONTAMINATION.
- THE ELONGATED PORTS IN THE VISOR. WITH THE AID OF THE ALIGNMENT FIXTURE, ALLOWS THE PATIENT TO ACHIEVE PERFECT OPTICAL BALANCE AND DOES NOT HAVE TO ACCEPT WHAT SOMEONE GUESSES IS CORRECT FOR THE PATIENT.
- THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR IS THE ONLY OPTICAL DEVICE OFFERED WHERE THE PATIENT DOES ALL THE SELECTION, ADJUSTMENT AND ALIGNMENT. NOBODY CAN DO IT BETTER THAN THE PATIENT.
- THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR IS FITTED WITH VARIOUS POWER MONOCULARS. THEY ARE EXTRA CLOSE FOCUS. TO INFINITY, WITH RROOF-TOP PRISMS. IF THE PATIENT HAS NO PRIMARY VISION, ONLY PERIPHERAL VISION, NO MATTER HOW NARROW THE THRESHOLD OF SIGHT MAY BE. THE PERSON CAN LOCATE THIS THREHOLD AND PRISMATICALLY TAKE THE PREFERRENTIAL VISION, AND SUPERIMPOSE THIS VISION TO PRIMARY VISION. NO OTHER DEVICE CAN DO THIS IN A THAT ACHIEVED BY THE PATIENT HIMSELF/HERSELF.
- THE COMFORT OPTIS VISOR IS THE ONLY DEVICE THAT ALLOWS THE PATIENT TO ADJUST THE PUPIL TO PRIMARY OPTIC. THIS IS VERY CRITCAL FOR SOME PATIENTS. WITHOUT THIS FEATURE SOME PATIENTS WOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO SEE.

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DETAIL DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

FIGURES 1, 2, AND 3 ARE THE SIDE VIEWS OF THE HEADBAND. IN THESE FIGURES (1) IS THE HEAD, (2) THE FASTENER, AND (3) ARE THE TWO TABS ON THE SIDE OF THE VISOR. FIGURES 4 AND 5 ARE THE FRONT AND SIDE VIEWS OF THE VISOR. THESE FIGURES COMPRISE THE ELONGATED ADJUSTING PORTS (4) AND THE ELONGATED BRACKET (5). FIGURES 6 AND 7 ARE THE FRONT VIEWS OF THE ALIGNMENT ADJUSTER. THESE FIGURES COMPRISE AN ADJUSTMENT BAR TOOL (9) AND ROTATING CLAMPS (6) AND (6A) FIGURES 8 AND 9 ARE THE TOP AND SIDE VIEWS OF THE BEVELED ADJUSTER, WHERE (8) IS A LENS.

THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR IS WORN WITH A VERTICAL SUPPORT BAND RUNNING OVER THE TOP OF THE HEAD (1). A SUPPORTING BAND AROUND THE HEAD INCORPORATES THE ELONGATED BRACKETS (5) AND THE FASTENER (2), WHICH FIX THE VISOR IN PLACE THE VISOR MOVES AT A FULCRUM OVER EACH EAR. TWO TABS ON EACH SIDE (3) NEAR THE FULCRUM LOCK THE POSITION OF THE VISOR SO THAT THE SAME FIT CAN BE ACHIEVED EACH TIME THE VISOR IS WORN. THE OPTICS MOUNT TO THE FRONT OF THE VISOR IN ELONGATED ADJUSTING PORTS (4) TWO TOOLS ARE USED TO ALLIGN THE VISOR AND THE OPTICS (6&7). WHEN THE VISOR IS COVERTED FOR READING TWO PLASTIC WEDGES ARE PLACED AT EACH MONOCULAR TO CONVERGE THE LENSES (8).

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR COMPRISING A VERTICAL SUPPORT BAND RUNNING OVER THE TOP OF THE HEAD WITH ADJUSTABLE LOOPS, WHEN PRESSURE IS APPLIED TO THE BAND, THE BAND WILL EXPAND AND WHEN PRESSURE IS REMOVED FROM THE BAND, THE BAND WILL RETURN TO ITS ORIGINAL POSITION.
- 2. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 1, WHEREIN A FASTENER SECURES THE VISOR POSITION TO THE VERTCAL SUPPORT BAND AND MAINTAINS THE OPTCAL ALIGNMENT.
- 3. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 2, WHERIN FOUR TABS, TWO EACH SIDE FRONT AND BACK OF EACH FULCRUM, ARE MOUNTED ON EITHER SIDE OF THE VERTICAL SUPPORT BAND, THE TABS ACT AS STOPS SO THAT WHEN THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE LOOP IS EXECUTED, THE VISOR MAINTAINS THE SAME FIT AND POSITION EACH IT IS REMOVED AND REPLACED.
- 4. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 3, WHEREIN ELONGATED ADJUSTING PORTS ARE USED TO ACHIEVE CORRECT VERTICAL ALIGNMENT.
- 5. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 4, WHEREIN AN ELONGATED BRACKET SECURES THE VISOR TO THE HEADBAND, WHICH ALLOWS THE VISOR TO BE ADJUSTED TO THE PATIENT'S SETTINGS.
- 6. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 5, WHEREIN AN ADJUSTING BAR TOOL IS PLACED TEMPORARILY ON THE VISOR BY THE TECHNICIAN SO THAT THE MONOCULARS CAN BE MOVED HORIZONTALLY WITHIN THE ELONGATED PORTS, TO ESTABLISH THE CORRECT VERTCAL POSITION OF EACH MONOCULAR.
- 7. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 6, WHEREIN THE ADJUSTING BAR TOOL IS A ROTATING CLAMP USED BY THE TECHNICIAN SO THAT EACH MONOCULAR CAN BE ADJUSTED FOR HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT.
- 8. THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR OF CLAIM 7, WHEREIN THE VISOR IS CONVERTED FROM A VIEWING VISOR TO A READING VISOR BY USING FOUR ALIGNING WEDGES, AN ALIGNING WEDGE IS USED AT BOTH SIDES OF EACH MONOCULAR TO OBTAIN READING VISION BY ALLOWING THE MONOCULARS TO CONVERGE.

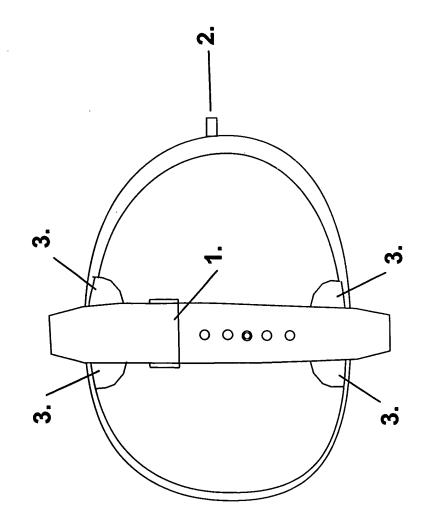
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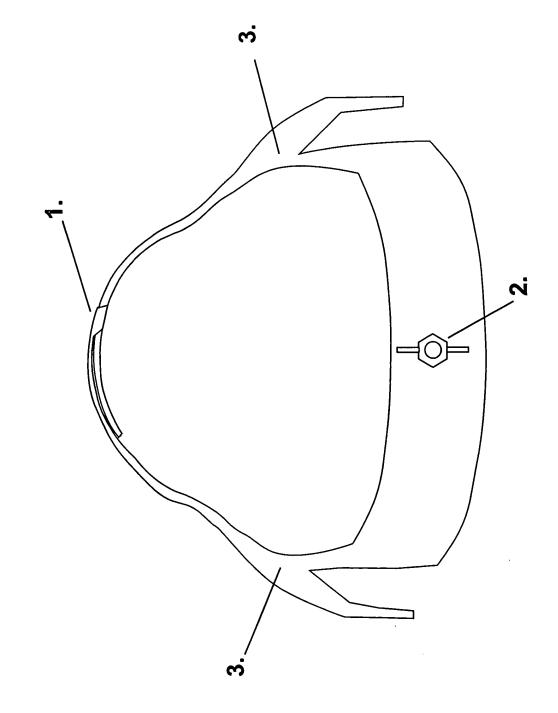
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR WAS DESIGNED FOR PEOPLE WHO SUFFER FROM IMPAIRED VISION. BOTH PRIMARY AND ONLY PERIPHERAL VISION CAN BE HELPED. WHEN THE COMFORT OPTICS VISOR IS EQUIPPED WITH 2X TO 10X POWER MONOCULARS, WITH EXTRA CLOSE FOCUS AND ROOF TOP PRISMS. THE PATIENT HAS ASSISTED VISION WITHOUT BEING STRAPPED WITH TUNNEL VISION. BY TIPPING THE HEAD APPROXIMATLY 15 DEGREES THEY ARE ALIGNED. PATIENT IS ASSISTED BY THE OPTICAL ASSISTANT, WHO INSTRUCTS THE PATIENT IN THE SELECTION OF THE PROPER MONOCULARS. HE ALSO INSTRUCTS THE PATIENT IN ALIGNMENT AND ADJUSTMENTS. THE OPTICAL TECHNICIAN, WHILE FITTING THE SELF-ALIGNING HEADBAND AND VISOR, INSTALLS THE MONOCULAR TEMPORARY HARDWARE. WHEN THE ALIGNMENT AND ADJUSTMENTS ARE COMPLETED, THE TECHNICIAN SECURES THE MONOCULARS PERMANATELY, AND REMOVES THE TEMPORARY HARDWARE. THE PATIENT ONLY HAS TO FOCUS THE MONOCULARS TO THE DEPTH THEY WISH TO VIEW.

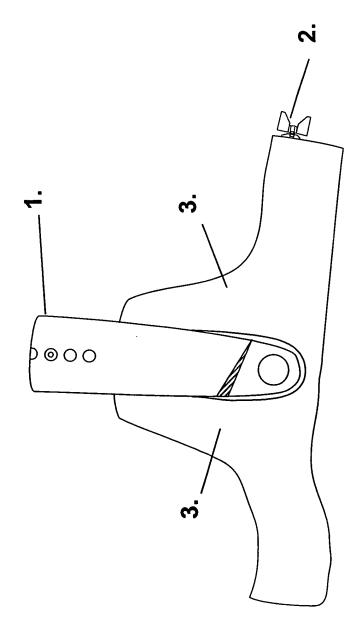
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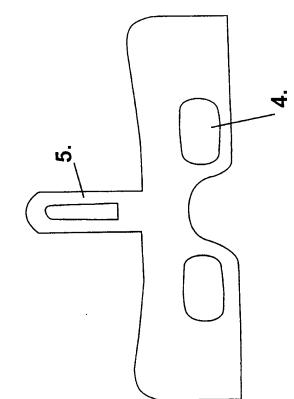
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Front View of Visor



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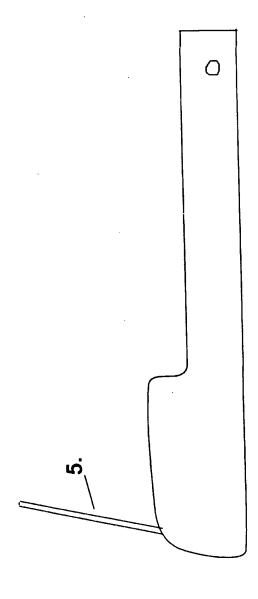
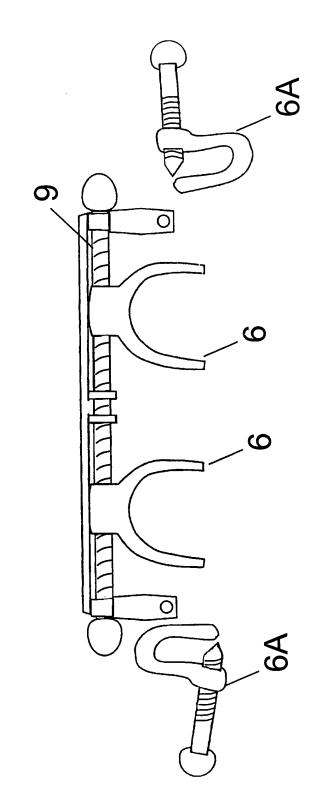
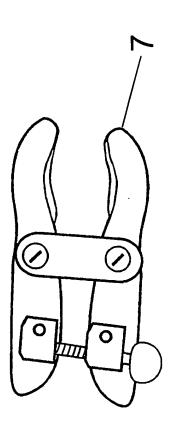


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Front View of Alignment Adjuster



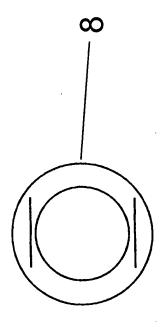
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Figure 8

Top View of Beveled Adjuster



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Figure 9

Side View of Beveled Adjuster

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